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Applicant: Gurtej S. Sandhu et al.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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In response to the Election of Species Requirement mailed October 29, 2004, Applicant elects, without traverse, Group I, having claims 1-25 readable thereon and Species I, directed to Fig. 2, having at least claims 1, 2, 6, 15, 16, and 22 readable thereon.

Applicant respectfully traverses the assertion that no claim is currently generic to the species, and submits that at least claims 1 and 15 are generic to all of the identified species with respect to Group I. Applicant requests examination of all other species in Group I (claims 3-5, 7-14, 17-21 and 23-25) upon allowance of a generic claim.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's Representatives at the below-listed telephone number if there are any questions regarding this Response or if prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

Respectfully submitted,

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